

State Profile: California

The Office of Child Care's National Child Care Information and Technical Assistance Center

Program Funding and Participation

Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF)¹

Funding	
CCDF Expenditure:	\$ 826,850,200
Federal Expenditure:	\$ 507,447,716
State Expenditure:	\$319,402,484
Participation	
Average Monthly Number of Children Served:	106,900
Average Monthly Number of Families Served:	68,200

Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)²

Funding	
TANF – Total Child Care Expenditure:	\$ 304,461,974
TANF – Direct Expenditure on Child Care:	\$294,461,974
TANF – Transfer to CCDF:	\$ 10,000,000

Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP)⁵

Funding	
CACFP Funding:	\$241,113,334
Participation	
Number of participating family child care homes:	17,436
Number of participating child care centers:	4,820
Average daily participation of children in family child care homes:	123,610
Average daily participation of children in child care centers:	181,059

Child Care Tax Credits⁶

Funding	
Federal Total Amount Claimed:	\$394,308,000
Federal Number of Claims:	689,872
State Tax Credit Available:	Yes
State Credit Refundable:	Yes

Head Start³

Funding	
Head Start State Allocation:	\$859,903,697
Participation	
Number of Children Participating in Head Start:	97,894

State-Funded Prekindergarten⁴

Funding	
State Expenditure:	\$360,594,045
Participation	
Enrollment (3 and 4 year olds):	94,621

CCDF Policies

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Quality

Licensing Process⁷

Child Care Facilities	Number	Capacity
Child Care Centers	10,469	576,968
Small Family Child Care Homes	42,907	409,940
Large/Group Family Child Care Homes	0	0
Other Licensed Facilities:	4,671	191,594
Total:	58,047	1,178,502

Licensing Agency Staff	
Number of Licensing Line Staff	254
Estimated Caseloads	229:1

Types of Routine Compliance Inspections Conducted	Announced	Unannounced
Child Care Centers	No	Yes
Small Family Child Care Homes	No	Yes
Large/Group Family Child Care Homes	No	Yes

Frequency of Inspections	
Child Care Centers	Once every 5 years
Small Family Child Care Homes	Once every 3 years
Large/Group Family Child Care Homes	Once every 3 years

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Program Quality⁸

Program Standards	
State has program standards that are at least one level above licensing	No
Standards are part of an implemented quality rating and improvement system (QRIS)	No
Standards are part of a QRIS pilot or QRIS in development	No
Standards are part of another statewide quality improvement initiative	No

Program Supports	
State provides technical assistance/consultation to help programs improve quality	No
TA is part of a QRIS	No
State has an accreditation facilitation project	No
State has health consultants	No
State has infant/toddler specialists	Yes
State has school-age care specialists	No
State has inclusion specialists	Yes
State has mental health specialists	Yes
State has support for family, friend, and neighbor caregivers	No

Quality Assurance	
State is using environment rating scales to measure quality (ECERS, FCCRS, SACERS, ITERS)	No
State is using the Program Administration Scale or Business Administration Scale (PAS/BAS)	No
State is using other assessment tools, i.e., Early Learning and Literacy Classroom Observation (ELLCO) or Classroom Assessment Scoring System (CLASS)	No
Program assessments are part of a QRIS	No

Financial Incentives			
State has enhanced rates/tiered reimbursement tied to quality	No		
State has grants/bonuses/awards to help meet licensing requirements	Yes		
State has grants/bonuses/awards for working toward levels of quality	No		
State has grants/bonuses/awards for achieving levels of quality	No		
Financial incentives are part of a QRIS	No		

Consumer Engagement	
State has a Web site for parents with information about quality	No
State publishes quality ratings on the Internet or in print	No
State publishes information about licensing compliance on the Internet	No
State conducts consumer engagement campaign with a focus on quality	No

Quality Rating and Improvement System

No program

Professional Development Systems⁹

Core Knowledge/Competencies	
State has defined core/knowledge competencies for practitioners	Yes

Qualifications, Credentials, Pathways	
State has a career lattice/ladder	Yes
State has a practitioner registry	No
State has credentials (e.g., director, early childhood, school-age, infant/toddler, etc.)	No

Quality Assurance	
State has a trainer approval system	No
State has a training approval system	No

Access and Outreach	
State has mentoring/coaching to help practitioners improve their skills	Yes
State has career advising	Yes
State has a database or calendar of training opportunities on the Internet	No

Funding for Practitioners		
State has scholarships, including TEACH Early Childhood® Project	No	
State has wage supplements/incentive bonuses	Yes	

Professional Development System

Child Development Training Consortium

Early Learning Guidelines¹⁰

Age Group		Early Learning Guidelines
Birth to 3 years	Yes	California Infant/Toddler Learning & Development Foundations
3 to 5 years	Yes	California Preschool Learning Foundations, Volume 1
Birth to 5 years	No	

Demographics

Children and Families¹¹

Population Statistics	
Total population:	36,961,664
Number of children under 5:	2,749,180
Total number of children under 18:	9,435,102
Children under 5 as a percent of population:	7.44%
Children under 18 as a percent of population:	19.89%

Poverty Rate Estimates		
Children under 5 in poverty:	22.04%	
Children under 18 in poverty:	25.52%	

Children Living in Working Families		
Percent of children under 6 living with working parents:	21.18%	
Percent of children ages 6-17 living with working parents:	44.91%	

Workforce¹²

Workforce Statistics	
Number of paid employees in child care establishments	71,214
Number of self-employed child care providers	111,296
Average annual wage for child care workers	\$23,730

State Contacts Directories

CCDF Lead Agencies
Licensing Agencies
Professional Development Contacts
Child Care Resource and Referral Contacts
Other State Contacts

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